Of those that turn'd their backs ; and, in his flight.
Stumbling in fear, was took. The sum of all
is that the king hath won ; and hath sent out
A speedy power, to encounter you, my lord,
Under the conduct of young Lancaster.
And Westmoreland : this is the news at full.

NORTH. For this I shall have time enough to mourn.
In poison there is physic ; and these news,
Having been well that would have made me sick |
Being sick, have in some measure made me well :
And as the wretch, whose fever-weaken'd joints,
Like strengthless hinges, buckle [2] under life,
Impatient of his fit, breaks like a fire
Out of his keeper's arms ; even so my limbs,
Weakened with grief, being now enrag'd with grief,
Are thrice themselves [3] : hence therefore, thou nice *crutch ;

From *avaller,* Fr. to cast down, or to let fall down. MALONE.
This phrase has already appeared in The Taming of the Shrew, vol. v. p. 521 :
** Then *vail your stomachs,* for it is no boot :
** And place your hands below your husbands* foot."
REED,

Thus, to *vail the bonnet* is to *putt it off.* So, in The Pinner of Wakefield, 1599:
** And make the king *mil bonnet* to us both."*
To *nail* a staff is to *let it fall* in token of respect. Thus, in the same play :
** And for the ancient custom of *mil-staff,*
** Keep it still ; claim thou privilege from me :
** If any ask a reason, why ? or how ?
** Say, English Edward *vail'd his staff to* you."*
See vol. ix. p. 178, n. 4. STEEVENS.

[1] Having been well, that would have made me sick. i. e. that would, had I been well, have made me sick. MALONE.

* — buckle —] Bencl ; yield to pressure,
JOHNSON.
3 ..... even so my limbs,
Weaken'd with GRIEF, being now enrag'd with
GRIEF,
Are thrice themselves :] As
Northumberland is here com-
paring himself to a person, who* though his
joints are weakened
by a *bodily* disorder, derives strength from the
distemper of the